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MEMORANDUM FOR: Board of Advisors to the Center for the
Study of Intelligence

FROM: George W. Allen
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Intelligence


SUBJECT: Oversight of Research Projects at the
Center

I propose that we try the following as a way of integrating the Board of Advisors more effectively into oversight of research projects in the Center.

-- General statements (paragraph or so) of proposed research topics--developed by the staff of the Center--will be circulated to Board members to permit ample study prior to consideration at the meeting of the Board.

-- Specific statements of proposed research projects, prepared by candidates for DCI Fellowships, will be circulated to Board members for their views prior to action on the nominations by the Training Selection Board.

-- Individual members of the Board of Advisors will be included in a Fellow's Study Group which would be formed to work with and advise each Fellow. This group--of up to a dozen members--would meet from time to time (every month or so) with the Fellow. The initial meeting would review his detailed work plan, including a project outline. At subsequent meetings, members of the group would exchange ideas on substantive issues related to the Fellow's study, and advise him on the direction of his work. Participants in a Fellow's Study Group would be drawn from components and individuals having an interest in the research topics, and invitations would be extended by the Center.


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